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FIG. 1.

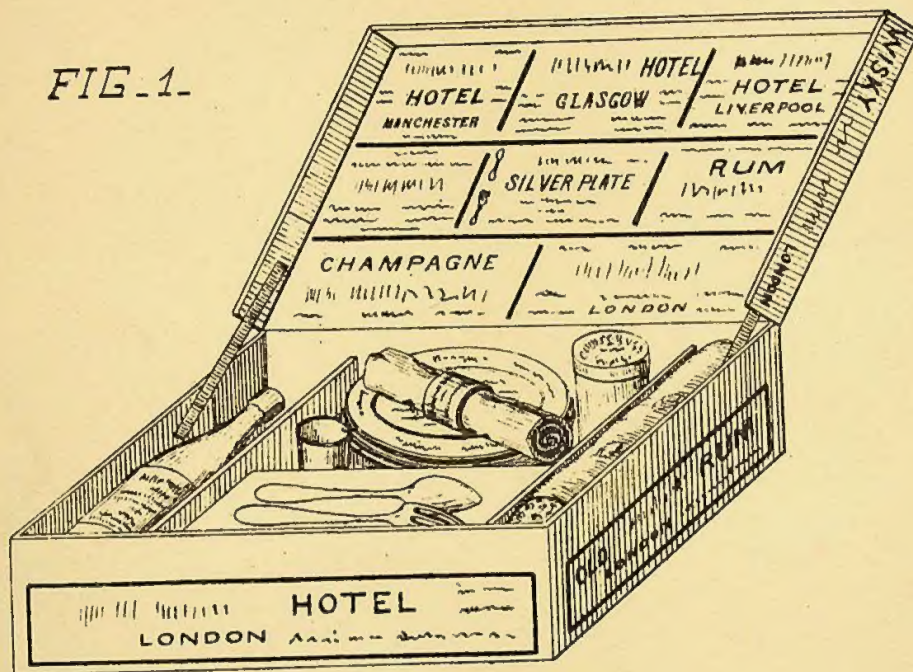
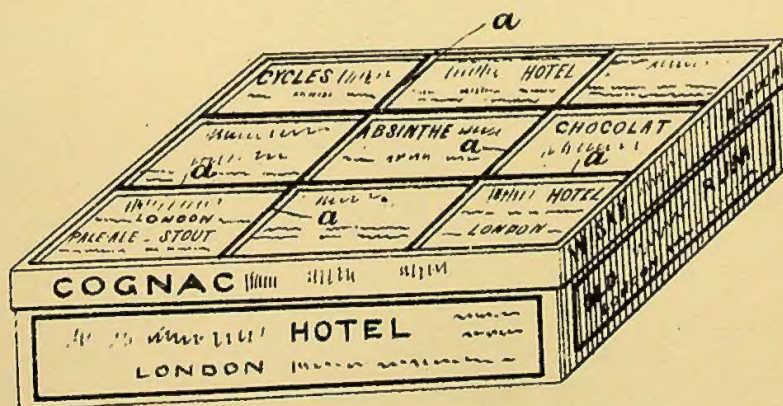


FIG. 2.



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PROVISIONAL SPECIFICATION.

An Advertising Refreshment Case or Box.

I, BENJAMIN JOSEPH BARNARD MILLS, of 23, Southampton Buildings, in the County of London, Patent Agent, do hereby declare the nature of this invention, a communication to me from Jean Baptiste Guy, of the Railway Station, Lyon-Perrache, Lyons, in the Republic of France, Director of Refreshment Rooms, to be as follows:—

The advertising refreshment case or box is intended for the use of railway travellers; it is composed of a wooden or cardboard box, divided into compartments and containing a prepared meal or lunch with the necessary table cloth, knives, forks, spoons, glasses, serviette &c.

10 The box is divided into compartments arranged in various ways and suited to the meal which it is to contain, the cover may serve as a table and may for this purpose be formed with grooves or retaining means to hold the glass and plate, and to protect them against the movements of the carriage.

The box and its cover will receive on their exterior, as well as on their interior, 15 advertisements and announcements of all kinds compatible with their form. The box may carry useful information, such as time tables, traveller's guides &c.

The plates, bottles, water bottles, glasses &c. may also receive by painting, engraving, printing or otherwise, analogous advertisements or announcements.

Labels may be affixed to any of these articles which will admit of it.

20 Any of the plates, bottles &c. as well as certain articles of food and drink may be supplied by manufacturers by way of advertisement and sample.

These utensils being supplied by manufacturers, or paid for entirely or partly by the advertisement which they bear, may be supplied to the traveller without any increase in the price of the lunch or meal, and the manufacturer or merchant will

25 find in the advertising refreshment boxes, the opportunity of making known and creating a demand for his goods, under very favorable conditions.

Dated May 17th 1897.

HARRIS & MILLS,  
23, Southampton Buildings, London, W.C., Agents

30 COMPLETE SPECIFICATION.

An Advertising Refreshment Case or Box.

35 I, BENJAMIN JOSEPH BARNARD MILLS, of 23, Southampton Buildings, in the County of London, Patent Agent, do hereby declare the nature of this invention (a communication to me from Jean Baptiste Guy, of the Railway Station, Lyon-Perrache, Lyons, in the Republic of France, Director of Refreshment Rooms) and in what manner the same is to be performed to be particularly described and ascertained in and by the following statement:—

The advertising refreshment case or box is intended for the use of railway  
[Price 8d.]



*Mills's Advertising Refreshment Case or Box.*

travellers, it is composed of a wooden or cardboard box, divided into compartments and containing a prepared meal or lunch with the necessary utensils, table cloth, knives, forks, spoons, glasses, serviette &c.

The box is divided into compartments arranged in various ways and suited to the meal which it is to contain, the cover may serve as a table and may for this purpose be formed with projections or retaining means to hold the glass and plate, and to protect them against the movements of the carriage. 5

The box and its cover will receive on their exterior as well as on their interior, advertisements and announcements of all kinds compatible with their form. The box may carry useful information, such as time tables, traveller's guides &c. 10

The plates, bottles, water bottles, glasses &c. may also receive by painting, engraving, printing or otherwise analogous advertisements or announcements.

Labels may be affixed to any of these articles which will admit of it.

Any of the plates, bottles &c. as well as certain articles of food and drink may be supplied by manufacturers by way of advertisement and sample. 15

These utensils being supplied by manufacturers, or paid for entirely or partly by the advertisement which they bear, may be supplied to the traveller without any increase in the price of the lunch or meal, and the manufacturer or merchant will find in the advertising refreshment boxes, the opportunity of making known and causing his goods to be consumed under very favorable conditions. 20

The accompanying drawings show an example of one form of an advertising refreshment box containing a meal.

Fig. 1 represents the advertising refreshment box with the cover raised so that the interior may be seen.

Fig. 2 represents the same box closed. 25

This box is divided into three compartments that on the left contains a bottle, that on the right contains a roll or piece of bread and that in the middle contains the articles of food which may be placed in boxes so as not to be damaged by contact with one another, the central compartment also contains the necessary utensils, table cloth, knives, forks, glass, serviette &c. 30

All these articles may be arranged so that when the box is closed they cannot get out of place.

The interior and exterior of the box and its cover are covered with advertisements or various announcements as shown and the exterior is provided with ribs or retaining means *a* to protect the various articles against the movements of the carriage. 35

Having now particularly described and ascertained the nature of the said invention and in what manner the same is to be performed I declare that what I claim is:—

1. An advertising refreshment case or box divided into compartments the cover of which serves as a table and has projections or means for retaining the articles in position thereon substantially as herein described. 40

2. An advertising refreshment case or box divided into compartments and containing plates, knives, forks, serviette &c. each of which bears an advertisement, substantially as herein described.

3. The improvements in refreshment cases or boxes substantially as herein described. 45

Dated this 14th day of February 1898.

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